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Reward Offer:

Joseph Townsend, a 34-year-old registered sex offender on parole, broke off the GPS device from his ankle Friday morning and disappeared with his girlfriend.

According to state authorities, Townsend's tampering with his GPS device occurred about 90 minutes after parole agents confiscated cellphones from him and took them for examination after a routine check. The GPS device was found in a trash can in the laundry room at the trailer park where Townsend was living with his girlfriend at 145th Street East and Avenue O. The cellphones contained over 150 pictures and videos of child pornography and messages with more explicit images of children were received on the cellphones while under examination by the authorities.

In 2011, Townsend pleaded no contest to possession of child pornography and was sentenced to five years in prison.

The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department are seeking the public's help to locate or apprehend Townsend who is described as white, 5-foot-7, 170 pounds, with blue eyes and brown hair.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors offer a \$20,000 reward in exchange for information leading to locating or apprehending Joseph Townsend, a 34-year-old heinous registered sex offender on parole, who broke off his GPS device from his ankle last Friday and remains at large.

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